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MEMORANDUM FOR: Acting Deputy Director for Administration

SUBJECT : Financial Guidance - FY 1979 (U)

REFERENCE : Memorandum from the Comptroller to Multiple Addressees, dated 8 November 1977, Subject: FY 1979 Congressional Budget Submission

1.(S) The Director of Central Intelligence has completed his review of the FY 1979 Budget Estimates for the National Foreign Intelligence Program and reached his decisions about the resources he will ask the President to include in the budget submitted to Congress in January. For your Directorate, the approved resource levels are [REDACTED]

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[REDACTED] The derivation of these figures is shown in the attachment.

2.(A/IUO) The Director's review was based upon the approved programs of the Agency as compiled from the zero-base budget submissions, prepared by each of the Directorates, which represented your best judgment at the time about how your resources should be allocated to meet your requirements. The programs you proposed, as well as the reductions themselves shown in the attachment, have been specifically identified in the DCI review process and must be reflected in your FY 1979 Congressional Budget request accordingly. If, for any reason, you find the reductions as specified unacceptable, or if you propose to apply them in some other way, you are requested first to seek the approval of the Comptroller, explaining what changes you propose to make and the reasons for them. We will attempt to accommodate your requests in any way we can consistent with the zero-base review process which provided the basis for the actions taken.

3.(A/IUO) You should bear in mind that the program as approved by the Director is still subject to OMB and Presidential review. Further changes may result from that process and will have to be reflected in your Congressional Budget submission. We will advise you as soon as we know what actions, if any, taken by the President affect your program.

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James H. Taylor
Comptroller

Attachment: As stated

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